

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL PACKAGES**

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2. PREAMBLE

- a. This certificate is issued to certify that the package (packaging and contents) described in Item 5 below meets the applicable safety standards set forth in Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71, "Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material."
- b. This certificate does not relieve the consignor from compliance with any requirement of the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation or other applicable regulatory agencies, including the government of any country through or into which the package will be transported.

3. THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED ON THE BASIS OF A SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT OF THE PACKAGE DESIGN OR APPLICATION

- a. ISSUED TO (*Name and Address*)
MDS Nordion
447 March Road
Kanata, Ontario
Canada K2K 1X8
- b. TITLE AND IDENTIFICATION OF REPORT OR APPLICATION
MDS Nordion application dated February 20, 2003, as supplemented.

4. CONDITIONS

This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71, as applicable, and the conditions specified below.

5.

(a) Packaging

- (1) Model No. F-430/GC-40 Transport Package
- (2) Description

The Model No. F-430/GC-40 Transport package is designed to transport MDS Nordion's Gammacell-40 (GC-40) irradiator containing cesium-137 sealed sources in special form. The F-430 overpack provides impact and thermal protection for the radioactive contents. Containment is provided by the special form sealed source and shielding is provided by the GC-40 irradiator body.

The F-430 is stainless steel cylindrical package with a 50" diameter and a height of 50" that is placed on a removable mild steel skid. The maximum weight of the package is 7000 pounds. The maximum weight of the GC-40 contents is 4000 pounds.

The overpack consists of nested cylindrical shells. The shells are made from stainless steel and the volume between the shells is filled with rigid foam. This foam provides insulation during an accidental fire. Vent holes, plugged with material designed to melt in a fire, are provided between the shells to prevent pressure buildup and allow a pathway for escape of gases from foam during an accidental fire.

The package contents consists of a Cesium-137 sealed source contained within an MDS Nordion GC-40 irradiator (upper or lower heads). The GC-40 is a research irradiator with lead shielding and a lead filled source drawer.

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5.(a)(2) (continued)

The approximate dimensions and weights of the package are as follows:

Package outside diameter	50 inches
Package height	50 inches
Cavity diameter	36 inches
Cavity height	35.25 inches
Removable skid	50 inches x 50 inches x 8 inches (height)
Overpack weight	2640 pounds
Contents weight	4000 pounds
Maximum package weight	7000 pounds

(3) Drawings

The packaging is constructed in accordance with the MDS Nordion drawings F643001-001, Rev. K, Sheet 1 of 2, and F643001-001, Rev. D, Sheet 2 of 2.

(b) Contents

(1) Type and form of material

Cesium-137 as a sealed source which meet the requirements of special form radioactive material.

(2) Maximum quantity of material per package

2,000 Curies.

6. In addition to the requirements of Subpart G of 10 CFR Part 71:

- (a) The package must be prepared for shipment and operated in accordance with the Operating Procedures in Chapter 7 of the application.
- (b) Each packaging must be acceptance tested and maintained in accordance with the Acceptance Tests and Maintenance Program in Chapter 8 of the application.

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7. The package authorized by this certificate is hereby approved for use under the general license provisions of 10 CFR 71.17.
8. Revision No. 3 of this certificate may be used until November 30, 2007.
9. Expiration date: February 28, 2012.

REFERENCES

MDS Nordion application dated February 20, 2003.

Supplements dated: July 21, August 25, and December 18, 2003; January 16, July 16, July 21, and July 23, 2004; April 21, and October 30, 2006.

FOR THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Date: November 22, 2006



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT
Model No. F-430/GC-40 Transport Package
Certificate of Compliance No. 9290
Revision No. 4

SUMMARY

By application dated October 30, 2006, MDS Nordion submitted a renewal request for the Model No. F-430/GC-40 transport package. MDS Nordion did not request any changes to the package design or its contents. The certificate has been renewed for a five year term.

EVALUATION

MDS Nordion requested renewal of Certificate of Compliance No. 9290 for the Model No. F-430/GC-40 transport package by application dated October 30, 2006. The applicant did not request any design changes to the package. The staff reviewed the documents referenced in the certificate and determined that the required documentation was available and complete.

CONCLUSION

The certificate expiration date was changed to February 28, 2012. This change does not affect the ability of the package to meet the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71.

Issued with Certificate of Compliance No. 9290, Revision No. 4,
on November 22, 2006.